IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the Matter of

Application Ser. No. 78/052,753

Applicant: Eastern Caribbean Rum Company Ltd.

Filed: March 13, 2001

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Mark: CANNE ROYALE RUM & Crown Design:

Our Ref.: 46411-0057-1254



REQUEST FOR INITIAL NINETY-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH TO OPPOSE

Commissioner for Trademarks 2900 Crystal Drive Arlington, Virginia 22202-3513

On behalf of Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc., Inc., we respectfully request a ninety-day extension of time within which to oppose the above-captioned application, <u>i.e.</u>, until October 23, 2002.

The extension of time is necessary to give the prospective opposer time to study the situation and complete an investigation into the nature and extent of applicant's activities under the CANNE ROYALE RUM & Crown Design mark. This information is necessary to determine conclusively whether to oppose, and if so, to prepare a formal notice of opposition, or to contact the applicant in an attempt to resolve any possible conflict.

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This request for an extension is not being made for the purpose of mere delay. We therefore respectfully request favorable consideration.

All correspondence with regard to this request should be mailed to Robert P. Henley, Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, c/o TMSU, 1111 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004.

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